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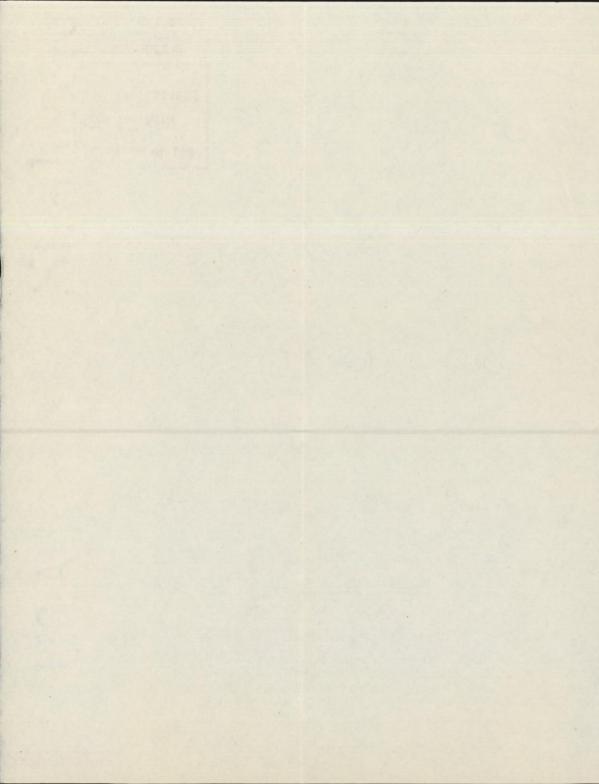
GEO. A. HORMEL & COMPANY

AUSTIN, MINNESOTA

for the

Fiscal Year Ended October 28, 1933





Austin, Minnesota November 21st, 1933

To the Stockholders of Geo. A. Hormel & Company;

The earnings statement and balance sheet of your Company for the year ended October 28, 1933, is submitted herewith.

The growth in the volume of the business of your Company has been continued during the past year. In dollars, sales have increased 4 percent. In quantities, sales amounted to 325,509,103 pounds, which is an increase of 45,421,012 pounds, or 16 percent. A considerable part of the increased volume is accounted for by new lines.

A substantial part of the Company's profit is derived from operations which are not carried on by most packing houses. Without the profits earned by these specific activities, we find that the regular packing house operation yielded us 30 cents apiece for the animals we slaughtered and marketed. This certainly is a small charge to the live stock producer for the use of the facilities and working capital of the Company.

The Company is in sound financial condition. Net current assests are \$4,243,240.82. The ratio of current assets to current liabilities is 5.4 to 1. The Company has no funded debt nor bank loans.

Earnings available for common stock for the year were \$544,008.75, or \$1.14 per share.

Inventories are larger than in previous years due to expanded activities of the Company.

Since August 1 the Company has conformed to the requirements of the N. R. A. for the meat-packing industry. This has increased the costs of manufacture, these increases in operating costs ranging from 19 to 43 percent.

A matter of growing concern is the question of taxes. Every citizen, whether he be a stockholder or a worker, should realize the percentage of our national wealth which is being appropriated for Government purposes and which is therefore not available to us through our regular channels of investment or employment. The regular taxes which are apparently applicable to all business in about the same proportion as we were required to pay, would equal 8 percent of the total wages and salaries paid by the Company. That means that every 12 people in the employ of the Company are supporting 1 person in government. If the Federal floor tax on pork were included in our figures, it would be 1 person in 8.

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Geo. A. Hormel & Company - A

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CURRENT:	.5
Cash	\$ 709,495.12
Accounts Receivable \$1,238,4	08.18
	00.00 1,163,408.18
Merchandise inventories	3,320,040.16
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 5,192,943.46
OTHER ASSETS:	
Investment in and account with affiliated Company	\$ 69,684.94
Sundry notes and accounts\$ 145,5	32.15 666.94
	18.88
1	17.97
Less allowance for possible loss in	
	00.00 180,917.97
Employes' advances Real Estate – other than plant	13,892.71 104,692.20 369,187.82
PERMANENT – at cost	
Land	\$ 162,282.04
Buildings, machinery and equip-	
ment \$5,969,2	
Less allowance for depreciation1,524,1	62.79 4,445,088.76 4,607,370.80
PREPAID:	
Plant supplies, unexpired insurance, etc.	110,838.72
	\$10,280,340.80

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GEO. A. HORMEL & COMPANY, Austin, Minnesota

Gentlemen:

We have examined the general accounts pertaining to the assets and liabilities of domestic subsidiaries as of October 28, 1933, and have reviewed the operating accounts for In our opinion, based on the records examined and information obtained by us, the foregoing balance sheet (including the accounts of the Mexican subsidiary without a accompanying summary of income and surplus set forth the consolidated financial position of

Minneapolis, November 15, 1933

ALANCE SHEET

Austin, Minnesota, and Subsidiaries 8, 1933

CURRENT:

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable Dividends declared - Accrued taxes, etc. Federal and State Inc	payable Nov	. 15, 193	33		521,890.71 146,533.00 102,478.93 178,800.00		
TOTAL CURRENT	LIABILITIES					\$	949,702.64
RESERVES: For Contingencies For Federal Floor tax	x			\$	182,468.46 125,000.00		307,468.46
CAPITAL:							
Preferred Stock Authorized 5							
C	lass A - 6%	Class I	3 - 7%				
Issued 14 In treasury 14 Outstanding 14	4,554 shares 102 shares 4,452 shares	1,065 265 800	shares shares shares	\$1,	525,200.00		
COMMON STOCK -	no par value						
Authorized Issued In treasury Outstanding		493,944 16,924	shares shares	5.	907.015.92		
SURPLUS						9	0,023,169.70
				1		\$10	0,280,340.80

GEO. A. HORMEL & COMPANY — AUSTIN, MINNESOTA, and its wholly owned the period then ended, and and subject to the accuracy of the inventory quantities determined by the Management, udit, these accounts consisting principally of net current assets of \$80,002.95), and the the Companies and the result from operations for the fifty-two weeks ended at that date.

Contingent liabilities reported ____

Signed (ERNST & ERNST)

\$138,277.97

SUMMARY OF INCOME AND SURPLUS

Geo. A. Hormel & Company - Austin, Minnesota and Subsidiaries

Fifty-two Weeks Ended October 28, 1933

Net Sales	\$25,202,417.12
Deduct:	
Cost of goods sold, selling and gen-	
eral expenses\$23,888,326	
Provision for depreciation 256,760	0.95
Taxes: Property and other	
operating taxes\$105,805.23	
Provision for Federal	
Floor tax on pork	
products in inventory – estimated 125,000.00	
Provision for Federal	
and State Income	
taxes - estimated 190,743.69 421,548	8.92 24,566,636.78
	\$ 635,780.34
Dividends on Preferred stock	91,771.59
PROFIT AVAILABLE FOR COMMON STOCK	\$ 544,008.75
Dividends on Common stock	477,031.25
	\$ 66,977.50
Difference between par or stated	
value of treasury stocks purchased	65.48
NET ADDITION TO SURPLUS	\$ 67,042.98
Surplus - October 29, 1932	1,523,910.80
SURPLUS - October 28, 1933	\$ 1,590,953.78
Represented by:	
Appropriated for Capital stock in	
treasury\$ 246,269	
Unappropriated1,344,683	3.89 \$ 1,590,953.78

It is estimated that the Federal processing tax on hogs which became effective November 5, 1933, will make this Company pay 4 million dollars this year. Should processing taxes be levied on meats other than pork, this amount would be increased accordingly. The working capital required for the Company is thus tremendously increased.

During the year the Company has erected new buildings for the handling of beef and small stock. These facilities will be in operation shortly. They represent the latest developments in efficiency and in favorable working conditions. The beef slaughtering floor is air-conditioned for the comfort of our workmen. We believe this is the first time anyone has undertaken to provide air-conditioning for a similar operation. Improved loading and shipping facilities have been provided in this new construction. The total result should be for added efficiency and the ability to serve our customers better.

Newspapers have recently carried stories of a strike in Austin. of our plant employees are members of the "Independent Union of All Workers", a local orginzation not affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, but advocating the "one big union" idea. On September 23. 1933, under threat of strike at our plant, the business men of the city of Austin gathered together and appointed an arbitration committee which was nominated by the Union and accepted by the Company. The purpose of establishing this committee was to provide a means whereby all labor disputes in Austin could always be settled by arbitration. The purpose was to make Austin a no-strike community. As a result of the strike last week, this local mediation board has now been replaced by the Industrial Commission of the State of Minnesota. It is our belief that officially bringing the State into the agreement as the official mediator will really serve to prevent further labor disturbances in Austin. The plant was out of operation only one day. We believe the atmosphere has been cleared and that the spirit of unrest due to these difficult times is now behind us. and that the members of our organization will now proceed to prosecute their business efficiently as they have done in years gone by.

> JAY C. HORMEL President

